

CPP ANNUAL USE OF CAPITAL SURVEY - 2010



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(Include Holding Company Where Applicable)

Community First Bancshares Inc./First State Bank

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¹If repayment was incremental, please enter the most recent repayment date.

American taxpayers are quite interested in knowing how banks have used the money that Treasury has invested under the Capital Purchase Program (CPP) and Community Development Capital Initiative (CDCI). To answer that question, Treasury is seeking responses that describe generally how the CPP/CDCI investment has affected the operation of your business. We understand that once received, the cash associated with TARP funding is indistinguishable from other cash sources, unless the funds were segregated, and therefore it may not be feasible to identify precisely how the CPP/CDCI investment was deployed or how many CPP/CDCI dollars were allocated to each use. Nevertheless, we ask you to provide as much information as you can about how you have used the capital Treasury has provided, and how your uses of that capital have changed over time. Treasury will be pairing this survey with a summary of certain balance sheet and other financial data from your institution's regulatory filings, so to the extent you find it helpful to do so, please feel free to refer to your institution's quarterly call reports to illustrate your answers. This is your opportunity to speak to the taxpayers in your own words, which will be posted on our website.

What specific ways did your institution utilize CPP/CDCI capital? Check all that apply and elaborate as appropriate, especially if the uses have shifted over time. Your responses should reflect actions taken over the past year (or for the portion of the year in which CPP/CDCI funds were outstanding).

☒ **Increase lending or reduce lending less than otherwise would have occurred.**

Increased lending capital and able to maintain similar level of outstanding loans in a weak economy.

☒ **To the extent the funds supported increased lending, please describe the major type of loans, if possible (residential mortgage loans, commercial mortgage loans, small business loans, etc.).**

During the period between March 2010 and March 2011, Commercial loans increased by 6.6% and Agricultural loans increased by 27.3%. The Real Estate loans and Individual loans decreased by 1.1% and 7.5%, respectively.

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☒ **Increase securities purchased (ABS, MBS, etc.).**

If loan demand did not consume funds provided by the CPP, these funds were used to increase Mortgage Back Securities.

☐ **Make other investments.**

☒ **Increase reserves for non-performing assets.**

Increased capital improved non-performance assets/capital ratios and thus enabled us to manage strategically these loans and ORE.

☐ **Reduce borrowings.**

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☐ Increase charge-offs.

☐ Purchase another financial institution or purchase assets from another financial institution.

☐ Held as non-leveraged increase to total capital.

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What actions were you able to avoid because of the capital infusion of CPP/CDCI funds?

The bank avoided reducing limits on loan types that were based on volume/capital ratios. In addition, the bank avoided hasty decisions regarding borrower workout plan and liquidations of some ORE parcels.

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What actions were you able to take that you may not have taken without the capital infusion of CPP/CDCI funds?

During the period between March 2010 and March 2011, the company was able to increase the labor force, increase the size of the earning assets and maintain a strong capital for future growth.

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Please describe any other actions that you were able to undertake with the capital infusion of CPP/CDCI funds.